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H.B. No. 128

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the eligibility of a relative or other designated
3 caregiver of a foster child for monetary assistance.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 264.760, Family Code, is amended to read
6 as follows:

7 Sec. 264.760. ELIGIBILITY FOR FOSTER CARE PAYMENTS AND
8 PERMANENCY CARE ASSISTANCE. Notwithstanding any other provision of
9 this subchapter, a relative or other designated caregiver [~~who~~
10 ~~becomes licensed by the department or verified by a licensed~~
11 ~~child-placing agency or the department to operate a foster home,~~
12 ~~foster group home, agency foster home, or agency foster group home~~
13 ~~under Chapter 42, Human Resources Code,~~] may elect to receive
14 foster care payments in lieu of the benefits provided by this
15 subchapter [~~, beginning with the first month in which the relative~~
16 ~~or other designated caregiver becomes licensed or is verified~~].

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.